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The Democratic War Tax on The People

It was a score day for the Republicans yesterday in the House of Representatives when the majority of the Democrats went on record for direct taxation of the people of the United States for another year and the Republican membership of that body went on record unanimously against it.

The votes of the Democrats for direct taxation will be exhibited in every district where there is a possible chance for the election of a Republican candidate for Congress, in every State where there is a chance for election of a Republican senator; and while seats of representatives from the far South and senators from the far south will not be endangered by the record made yesterday scores of seats of the representatives from the so-called border States and from the North will be lost to the Democrats if this direct taxation is fastened on the people while there remain open so many other ways of obtaining the funds needed by the government.

There will not be a penny collected under the direct taxation but from this time henceforth will be referred to by Republicans as the Democratic tax upon the people of the United States.

A party very vigorous with its political work is the Republican party, and it has already started in its works of educating the people to believe that direct taxation is evidence of Democratic inability to successfully administer the government, and the vote of yesterday will but serve to establish such view in the minds of the people.

Every war tax stamp and every penny paid for a war tax stamp by the people from this time forward will be a Republican argument against Democratic administration and the candidates of the Democratic party!—Washington Post.

A Joyful Occasion at Walnut Shade

After an absence of many weeks, Mrs. John W. St. Clair came home on the morning of December 24th to be once more with her family. This day was her birthday, and not only that, it was the joyful restoration of a devoted mother to her loved ones. In token of thankfulness for her recovery, and the esteem in which she is held by the neighborhood, her children and friends planned a surprise party and a feast to celebrate the joyful event.

Some of the guests had already come when Mrs. St. Clair arrived, and the dinner was under way. While the girls made ready the table, the neighbors enjoyed a good old-time visit, such as leaves a pleasant and friendly feeling in the heart for a long time to come. There seemed no end

to the delicious things that came from the baskets, nor the savory viands which the daughter Annie, brought from her own kitchen stove. She as hostess, deserves special mention. There was roast goose with the most delicious dressing, fried chicken, sliced ham, splendid cakes, pies galore potato salad, coffee and all the vegetables, pickles and fruits which can accompany a good old-fashioned dinner like that. A splendid meal withal, and royally served.

While the rain kept many away who would have come from a distance, it was not wet enough to dampen the ardor of the occasion in the least, as every body present had a splendid time, and congratulated Mrs. St. Clair not only on her recovery and splendid promise of health to come, but also upon the efficient manner in which her household had been managed during her absence.

The only thing to mar the joy of the occasion was the fact that in one of Walnut Shade's homes sorrow and death had entered. The hearts of all the guests went out in sympathy and love for the bereaved, as well as in joy and thankfulness for the restored.

How strange and wonderful is life.

A NEIGHBOR.

VALLEY VIEW

Abe Cole has had some of our boys out on the road and we wish to state that they are doing some excellent work, considering the number of hands. We have some good roads in our district as anywhere in the county, not to be a special road district.

Garret Shipman assisted by Tom miles, went to Arkansas and brought back several cattle.

Roy Cole is quite sick at present. He has whooping cough and is threatened with pneumonia.

Several of our boys gathered up last Thursday evening, took the bells off of some of the old cows, loaded up their old shot guns and we are afraid they violated the law by making loud and boisterous noises. But nevertheless they had to pay their respects to the new Mr. and Mrs. Wolf.

Joe Wolf was at Hilda last Friday on a business visit.

Mrs. J. R. Owens left on last Monday morning to be with her husband who is quite ill at Springfield.

Lots of people sick with bad colds here now.

GARBER

We are having some winter now with real snow and ice, and while it is not very cold, yet it is somewhat disagreeable getting about.

Mrs. Anna Bennett of Montecello, Ind., came in last week and is visiting a few days with her brother, the post master. She will return to her home Wednesday.

Mrs. J. F. Hill and her daughter Frances came in from Carthage Friday and were met by Mr. Hill and taken home through the snow storm.

A very pleasant family reunion was held held at the residence of Mrs. Sarah Locke, Christmas, as her children were all at home, the married girls bringing their husbands with them. They were: J. B. Logan, wife and three children, of Hurley, Mo.; J. F.

Beil and wife of Joplin, Mo., and Jesse McNabb and wife of Branson. They report a splendid time. The Logan family returned to their home Sunday evening.

Miss Frances Comstock of Aurora is spending a few days with Miss Inez Wilson.

J. F. Hill went to Carthage Sunday evening for a couple of days.

Mr. Caldwell of Colorado came in last week and joined his wife in her visit here with friends. They will depart for their home this evening.

Elmer Gold of Hurley came down and paid his wife a visit over Sunday. Mrs. Gold is teaching the Irma school.

Generally a good time prevailed throughout the neighborhood and many were made happy with presents, and among the rest Old Matt and Aunt Mollie received their share from distant friends.

Some little sickness in the neighborhood, but not of a serious nature. Miss Ethel Walden had to dismiss her school this week on account of being ill and W. W. Walden is laid up in the house this week with the grip.

Well, this is the last time you will hear from me this year, and next year I will try as usual to keep tab on what is doing.

A Happy New Year to all.

TANEYVILLE

We are having some very bad weather this week.

J. A. Buck, who is a student at Arkansas College at Batesville, Ark., is spending a part of his Christmas vacation with friends here.

L. L. Snell left this place Monday for Rogersville to visit his two children.

Miss Jessie Clemons was the guest of Florence Blofeld Sunday.

Charley Teague, who has been working at Springfield, came home one day last week.

Everybody in this burg seems to be on the sick list but Gordon. He is still able to play in the streets.

Miss Fay Clemons was the guest of Eula Jones Sunday.

We are sorry to report that our friend Dr. Diamond, who has been ill for several months, died Dec. 31. Mrs. Diamond has our sincerest sympathy.

WALNUT SHADE

A Happy New Year to all.

We are having some bad weather.

L. V. Cummings has returned from Kansas where he has been working this fall.

Charlie Nash is moving on the Sellers place vacated by R. R. Cummings. Rufus is at the dam.

Chalton Spore, wife and baby, left Monday for their home at Burton, Kansas, after a visit of a couple of weeks with Mrs. Spore's home folks, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ellis.

Mrs. Macy Hampton died at the home, of her father, U. G. Weatherman, 24th and was laid to rest in the Walnut Shade cemetery.

T. B. Clapp spent Christmas in Springfield with his son, Evert and his mother.

R. W. Duncan made a flying trip to Branson on business.

Mrs. J. W. St. Clair spent Christmas with her folks. She returned to Forsyth, where she will remain for some time.

The funeral services of Mrs. Hampton will be preached at the Shade Sunday, by J. C. Palm r.

Mrs. Mamie Weatherman was laid to rest in the Shade cemetery the 12. She was a daughter of A. J. Craig, she leaves a husband, three children, father, mother, four sisters and two brothers.

Mrs. Lottie Scribner of Tulsa, Okla., was called to the bed side of her sister Mamie but arrived too late to see her.

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR LIVE WIRES

The Largest Western Publishing House offers special inducements to local and traveling representatives in Missouri for 1916. The work is dignified and pleasant. Commissions are exceptionally large and big profits are made possible. Applicants owning rig or automobile will receive first consideration. Apply by letter only. A. E. STEPIENS, Manager, 300 Graphic Arts Bldg., Kansas City, Mo. 8

EAST STORMSWEPT

Seven Persons Die in 90-Mile Gale With Lightning, Sleet and Snow.

ALL TRAFFIC WAS CRIPPLED

Coast Guards Rescued Canal Boatmen—Big Liners Forced to Seek Shelter—Barkes Sink.

New York, Dec. 27.—One of the weirdest storms the East has seen in years—rain, hail and snow accompanied by thunder and lightning, and a gale that reached a maximum velocity of 90 miles an hour—descended from the northwest early today as the aftermath of a Christmas fog. Indirectly it caused seven deaths in this city, carried down telegraph wires, damaged shipping, crippled railroad traffic and caused considerable property damage.

The phenomenon of thunder and lightning in the midst of a driving snow awakened New Yorkers at the height of the storm about 7 o'clock this morning. A gale from the south accompanied by rain had been blowing in the night, but the temperature dropped in the early morning hours, changing the rain to hail and then to snow. The weather bureau reported a total precipitation of 5.2 inches, of which 2.8 was snow.

Storm Center in Massachusetts.

The wind shifted to the northwest and increased in violence, reaching its 90-mile intensity at 9 o'clock and soon afterward carrying off the storm clouds. The gale continued, however, throughout the day, blowing in hundreds of plate glass windows, hurling signs and copings to the streets and demolishing several partly built structures. The storm had its center in Massachusetts, the weather bureau reported, and the telegraph companies said their service in New England had been badly crippled. Several land lines of cable companies between New York and Nova Scotia were put out of business.

Shipping of all kinds scurried to shelter to escape the heavy seas, and several ocean liners dropped anchor until the gale abated. Twenty-five persons aboard fifteen canal boats driven ashore off Sandy Hook were rescued by coast guards. James O'Neill, in command of one of the boats, was knocked into the sea by a flying board and drowned.

COL. HOUSE TO SETTLE FEUD

Washington Circles Believe United States Ambassadors to Europe Are in Three-Cornered Split.

Washington, Dec. 27.—If Colonel House succeeds in his forthcoming mission to Europe he may be rated as the greatest of all living diplomats, in the opinion of the inner circle, which is acquainted fully with the long list of assignments President Wilson has given him.

When Colonel House arrives in London he will be expected to impress Ambassador Walter Hines Page with the fact that he is not the superior American representative, and that his functions do not overlap into any of the other countries which have American ambassadors.

The administration has reasons for believing that Mr. Page's over-anxiety to represent the United States has led him at times into the position of giving advice to other American ambassadors who promptly have resented his attentions. Washington has been informed that the embassy in London at times has even attempted to act as censor over other diplomatic correspondence which was addressed to American representatives at other places.

WESTERN FREIGHT RATES UP

Washington, Dec. 24.—Railroads west of the Mississippi river were authorized to make material increases in freight rates today by the Interstate Commerce Commission in a second decision in the so-called Western advance rate case.

Important increases granted included carload rates on agricultural implements, except to points in Louisiana; carload rates on canned goods and carload rates on boots and shoes and leather between Missouri manufacturing points and points west; rates on fine lining, on dried and evaporated fruits in portions of the West and on furniture in carloads from Kansas City and other points to points in Oklahoma. Increases were allowed also in certain cases in the charges for switching grain and in the transit charge on fruits and vegetables in the territory beyond the Missouri river.

Postal Service Growing.

Washington, Dec. 27.—The postal service has doubled in the last twelve years, and during the last fiscal year audited transactions reaching the \$2,000,000,000 mark for the first time, according to the annual report of Charles A. Kram, auditor.

An Insurance President Dies. Montpelier, Vt., Dec. 27.—Joseph A. DeBoer, president of the National Life Insurance Company since 1902, died at his home here today after an illness of several months.

SIGN A BASEBALL PEACE PACT

National, American and Federal League Magnates End Most Disastrous War in History of Game.

Cincinnati, Dec. 23.—The most disastrous war that the baseball game has ever experienced came to a close here tonight when a treaty of peace between the Federal League and both parties to the national baseball agreement, better known as organized baseball, was signed.

Two major league clubs will change hands as the result of the bringing about of peace, and two new faces will be seen among major league magnates in the future, Charles Weeghman, who has been president of the Chicago Federal League club, will purchase the controlling interest in the Chicago National League team from Charles P. Taft of Cincinnati. Phil Ball and his associates who were connected with the St. Louis Federal League team, gain control of the St. Louis American League club from Robert Hedges, Cal McDiarmid, John E. Bruce and others who have long been connected with major league circles.

The agreement gives immunity to all men who have jumped their contracts from both the major and minor leagues of organized baseball as well as all other Federal League players. All of them have been reinstated or made eligible to organized baseball.

That there will be a wild scramble for some few of the best of the Federal League players was clearly indicated by a provision in the treaty that the Federal League, as a league, and which, in so far as actual baseball playing is concerned, ceases to exist, will assume all the contracts of Federal League players.

The agreement does not go into the distribution of any players and it was announced that the bars have been thrown down and that inasmuch as all are eligible, those who are for sale probably will go to the highest bidder.

The Federal League clubs in Chicago and St. Louis are expected, inasmuch as Weeghman and Ball will be permitted to keep what players they desire of the Federal League clubs in these cities.

HELD OKLAHOMA MOB AT BAY

Militia Called Out to Protect Negro Men Accused of Killing Muskogee Policeman.

Muskogee, Ok., Dec. 27.—A mob of hundreds of white men was repulsed twice last night by the bayonets of militiamen when it attempted to take from the county jail for the purpose of lynching them two negroes accused of the killing of Samuel Neal, a policeman, this morning. The negroes, William Green and Mathis Foreman, were spirited from the jail just before midnight and supposedly taken to Tulsa. Disguised in militiamen's uniforms, at least Green, and possibly the two together, were hurried into a motor car while the mob was forming for a third attempt at the jail doors.

As the crowd, intent upon avenging the patrolman, jammed the streets near the jail, it was discovered several armed negroes, estimated by some as high as two hundred, had congregated in a vacant lot nearby and were threatening to sweep the streets with bullets if the white citizens accomplished their avowed purpose of lynching the two negroes. Shortly before the mob's dispersal twenty-five white men, armed from a hardware store whose owner threw open the doors to them, approached the negroes and ordered them to disperse. One shot was fired in the negroes' direction, but the whites did not advance in force, and neither did the negroes retreat. The situation was at loggerheads when it was discovered that J. S. Barger, sheriff, and his deputies, had outwitted the mob and placed the negroes on a Frisco passenger train.

EDITOR QUILTS FORD PARTY

S. S. McClure With Gov. Hanna of North Dakota to Tour Europe Independently.

Christiania, Dec. 24.—S. S. McClure, New York editor, who headed the Ford insurgents aboard the Oscar II, will leave the peace party, it was announced yesterday. Accompanied by Governor Hanna of North Dakota, he will tour belligerent countries.

Ford was missing when the peace party left for Stockholm yesterday to recruit delegates for the neutral peace conference. Ford and Dean Marquis of Detroit, one of his closest friends, disappeared a few hours before time for departure. Ford's physicians said it was necessary that he detach himself from the party to rest. Whether Ford has preceded the party to Stockholm or intends to follow immediately could not be learned. It is not known when Ford will be able to participate actively in the affairs of the peace enterprise.

A Ford Delegate Dies.

Christiania, Dec. 23.—Lloyd M. Bingham, husband of Amelia Bingham, the actress, and a member of the Ford peace party, died here yesterday of pneumonia. Bingham accompanied the expedition as an official entertainer.

Bernhardt's End is Near.

Paris, Dec. 23.—Sarah Bernhardt, famous actress, is dying of gangrene poisoning, it was reported on good authority yesterday. Bernhardt's agent here would neither confirm nor deny the report.

NO HINT OF NEXT MOVE IN BALKANS

Both Sides Strengthen Forces at Saloniki While Waiting for Action by Greece.

LITTLE CHANGE ON ANY FRONT

Italians Assure Greece Regarding Landing Troops in Albania—New Premier in Persia.

London, Dec. 27.—With Germans assembling a large army for action against the entente forces in front of Saloniki and large masses of Bulgarian troops still remaining on Serbian soil, the undetermined attitude of Greece makes it uncertain as to what the next move will be in the Balkan campaign.

Meanwhile the British and French are adding to their strength around Saloniki in men, guns and defenses. Without the Bulgarians, a British correspondent at Saloniki says, the Germans will not attack, and Greece has been strongly opposed all along to Bulgarian troops entering her territory.

An intense artillery action has been in progress on the Austro-Italian front although there has been no change in the position there. From Russia comes word of comparative quiet.

The Turkish war office reports that the British forces at Kut-el-Amara in Mesopotamia are in process of being surrounded, but the British commander, General Townshend, reports that, while his forces have been under artillery and rifle fire, no attempt at assault has been made.

Italians Assured Greeks.

Count Di Bosdari, Italian minister to Greece, yesterday called upon Premier Skouloudis, the Post's Athens correspondent says, to give friendly assurances on the part of his government with reference to the landing of Italian troops in Avlona. He explained the landing had as its sole object the assistance of Serbian forces retreating into Southern Albania. The minister asked that Greece afford such facilities as possible for the object, which, he said, must have the sympathy of all Greece.

The Italian minister's explanation created a favorable impression in Athens.

A Persian Boost for Allies.

"The Persian cabinet has fallen," says the Teheran correspondent of the Reuter Telegram Company. "Prince Pirman Firma has been nominated premier by the shah. This is considered a great diplomatic victory for the entente allies."

Christmas Lull in Fighting.

London, Dec. 24.—Hartmann-Weilerkopf, the summit of which the Germans claim to have retaken, together with more than 1,500 prisoners, is the only point of first class activity on the western front, while on the eastern fighting lines there has been little evidence of any disturbance in the Christmas lull in the last twenty-four hours.

There have been some clashes in Galicia, with minor successes on both sides, and the Russian forces in Persia are fighting twenty-five miles from Teheran.

But the Balkan theater maintains a place of first importance in the war news, despite the fact that there has been no severe fighting for several days.

The Greek public's uneasiness over the possibility of an early extension of Germanic operations to Greek territory increases hourly and the Greek domestic situation is so ruffled that it is stated that parliament, as soon as it meets, will declare martial law, in order to muzzle the opposition press which has been mercilessly attacking the government.

A Reuter dispatch from Athens says Germany is reported to have informed Greece that she hopes to reach Saloniki by January 15, promising at the same time to evacuate Greek territory as soon as the task is finished.

"Oust Kaiser," Their Cry.

The German Humanity League, the Exchange Telegraph's correspondent in Rotterdam says, has issued a manifesto containing a violent indictment of "The Prussian conspirators," bitterly attacking the imperial German chancellor, accusing Germany of barbarous cruelties and lust, and concluding with the demand that Emperor William "be deposed from his dishonored throne."

New Offensive in Alsace.

Zurich, Dec. 23.—Germany is preparing for a new and violent offensive in Upper Alsace, to be directed by Field Marshal Von Mackensen, hero of the Polish campaign, and conqueror of Serbia.

A French Cross for the Czar.

Paris, Dec. 24.—Czar Nicholas of Russia has been decorated with the French war cross, it was announced here yesterday. Gen. Paul Pau, French commander, new at the Russian front, conferred the decoration.

Honeymooners' First Golf.

Hot Springs, Va., Dec. 24.—The President and Mrs. Wilson made their first appearance on the golf links here yesterday. Other players were on the course and with them the President and his wife chatted during the round.

Forsyth Union Sunday School

Meets at 10 o'clock Every Sunday Morning at the Church

OFFICERS: Supt., John W. Bennett; Assistant, Jos. R. Gideon; Secretary-Treasurer, Ruth Parrish; Cradle Roll Supt., Edna Van Zandt; Pianist, Jessie Van Zandt. TEACHERS: Primary, Mrs. Kate McConkey; Junior Girls, Mrs. Ida Brown; Junior Boys, Mrs. Jessie Gideon; Senior Girls, Temple Workers, Mrs. Katherine Bennett; Senior Girls, Willing Workers, Miss Laura Greening; Senior Boys, Miss Estha Mack.

A Good Motto: "The Sunday School for Everybody, Everybody for the Sunday School."

No better New Year's resolution than to resolve to become a booster for the Sunday School, and no better way to boost than to become a member. We have classes for all ages and sizes. Folks, you can help the Sunday School, and the Sunday School can help you, so you are all kindly invited to come next Sunday and help us start 1916 with a full school.

The New Year Begins With the New Testament

Next Sunday's Lesson, Acts 1: 1-14

You are Cordially Invited to Attend.